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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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Los Angeles County has been highly effective in creating part-time summer job opportunities for its youth. Since 2009, we have created employment opportunities for over 12,000 youth across our communities. Despite this, the unemployment rate for youth is on the rise – it is alarmingly high in both California and Los Angeles County at 32%. This statistic underscores the importance of subsidized employment for economically disadvantaged youth, such as those who are low-income, in foster care, on probation, or receiving CalWORKs or General Relief.

Last summer, through blended funding, the County allocated \$5.0 million to successfully provide employment to over 3000 youth Countywide. To jump start this year's summer program, the Department of Public Social Services has identified CalWORKs funding to serve 3,000 CalWORKs youth this summer. We are also exploring additional ways to create even more employment opportunities for youth this year.

To distribute the funding to youth agencies serving the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Area, Community and Senior Services (CSS) will release and execute new work orders with providers to serve youth residing in the Los Angeles Workforce Investment Area.

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For the remaining youth residing throughout the County, intermediary contracts are needed with the other six Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) to provide youth employment opportunities throughout the rest of the County. The total funds for each agreement will be based on available funding.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Director of CSS receive delegated authority to execute intermediary agreements with the other six Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) in the County to provide youth employment opportunities to CalWORKs and other youth throughout the County. The agreements should be for one year with an option to extend for two additional years based on available funding, with notice provided to the Board notifying them each time delegated authority is exercised along with a report as to the breakdown in funding by WIB.